

BEFORE  
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF  
SOUTH CAROLINA  
DOCKET NO. 97-003-E - ORDER NO. 97-179  
MARCH 7, 1997

IN RE: Annual Review of Base rates for	)	ORDER APPROVING
Fuel Costs of Carolina Power &	)	EXTENSION TO
Light Company.	)	PREFILE TESTIMONY
	)	AND EXHIBITS

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the "Commission") by way of a Motion for Extension of Time to File Intervenor Testimony ("Motion") by Intervenor Nucor Steel, a Division of Nucor Corporation ("Nucor"). In its Motion, Nucor requests an extension of time in which to prefile testimony and exhibits in the above referenced Docket. By Order No. 97-44, dated January 15, 1997, this Commission established prefiling deadlines in this Docket. Order No. 97-44 set March 5, 1997, as the prefiling deadline by which Staff and Intervenors were to prefile testimony and exhibits.

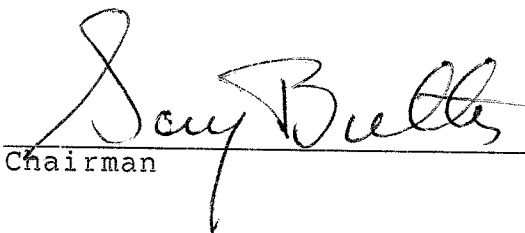
By its Motion, Nucor requests until March 11, 1997, by which to prefile its testimony and exhibits. In support of its Motion for an extension, Nucor states that CP&L has filed a pleading entitled "Response and Objections to Nucor Steel's First Request for Production of Documents" but that CP&L did not provide any substantive response to Nucor's Requests for Production of Documents. Nucor further states that CP&L has indicated to Nucor

that responses to Nucor's First Set of Interrogatories and Requests for Production of Documents would be provided by March 4, 1997, which is one day prior to the prefiling deadline established by Order No. 97-44. Nucor states that it does not believe that it can adequately review CP&L's discovery responses and prepare any needed testimony in one day. Therefore, Nucor requests an extension until March 11, 1997, which allows five working days from receipt of the responses and is more than a week prior to the hearing.

Upon consideration of this matter, the Commission concludes and so finds that the request of Nucor for an extension of time in which to prefile the testimony and exhibits of its witness(es) should be granted. The Commission hereby grants Nucor the requested extension until March 11, 1997, by which to prefile testimony and exhibits in this Docket.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

  
Chairman

ATTEST:

  
Executive Director

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